

## **Claim Amendments**

Claim 11(new): A bookstand for holding hard back books in an angled position for the purpose of study, the bookstand comprising:

a cylindrical tube having opposite first and second openings;

a rod having first and second ends whereby said rod is inserted through the cylindrical tube whereby said rod form a C-shape side support arms that extends out of the ends of said cylindrical tube equal distance and whereby said rod first and second ends form a curved shape to hold the back binding of a book in an open position, whereby said back binding of a book is supported against the said C-shape support arms and said cylindrical tube;

a straight rod permanently attached at equal distance from said cylindrical tube ends forming a T-shaped whereby said straight rod forms a rear support arm for said bookstand in the open position for study.

Claim 12 (new): A bookstand as recited in claim 11, wherein said rods and said cylindrical tube is constructed of steel.

Claim 13 (new): A bookstand as recited in claim 11, for holding hard back books in an angled position for the purpose of study, the bookstand comprising:

a cylindrical tube having opposite first and second openings;

wherein one opening of the perimeter of said cylindrical tube has an amount of material removed in the form of a U-shape whereby one of the two rod side support arms rests in the said U-shape allowing for a limited 80 degree rotation of said T-shape from the said side support arms.

Claim 14 (new): A bookstand as recited in claim 13, wherein the end support arm of the said T-shape has a cap to protect surfaces that the said bookstand rests when in an open position.

### **Conclusion**

This Applicant has had success in marketing and distributing the collapsible bookstand (see website, [www.collapsiblebookstand.com](http://www.collapsiblebookstand.com)). The website demonstrates the bookstand's functionality, durability and shows several pictures of the bookstand being used by students. The collapsible bookstand has been extremely popular with college students throughout the southwest, due to the portability, compactness and its affordability for the average student compared to other bookstands in the present market.

### **Conditional Request for Constrictive Assistance**

The applicant has amended the specification and claims of this application so that they are proper, definite, and define novel structure which is also unobvious. If, for any reason this application is not believed to be in full condition for allowance, applicants respectfully request the constrictive assistance and suggestions of the Examiner pursuant to M.P.E.P. 217.02 and 707.07(j) in order that the undersigned can place this application in allowable condition as soon as possible and without the need for further proceedings.



Very respectfully,

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